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**ATTORNEY FOR PLAINTIFF
UNITED STATES OF AMERICA**

**IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE DISTRICT OF MONTANA
BILLINGS DIVISION**

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

Plaintiff,

vs.

JAMES KELLY CHAVEZ,

Defendant.

CR 22- 75 -BLG- DLC

INDICTMENT

**CONSPIRACY TO POSSESS WITH THE
INTENT TO DISTRIBUTE
METHAMPHETAMINE**

(Count 1)

Title 21 U.S.C. § 846

**(Penalty: Mandatory minimum ten years to
life imprisonment, \$10,000,000 fine, and at
least five years of supervised release)**

**POSSESSION WITH INTENT TO
DISTRIBUTE METHAMPHETAMINE**

(Count 2)

Title 21 U.S.C. § 841(a)(1) and

Title 18 U.S.C. § 2

**(Penalty: Mandatory minimum ten years to
life imprisonment, \$10,000,000 fine, and at
least five years of supervised release)**

CRIMINAL FORFEITURE Title 21 U.S.C. § 853(a)(1) and (2) TITLE 21 PENALTIES MAY BE ENHANCED BY PRIOR DRUG- RELATED FELONY CONVICTIONS

THE GRAND JURY CHARGES:

COUNT 1

That beginning in July 2021 and continuing until on or about October 14, 2021, at Billings, within Yellowstone County, in the State and District of Montana, the defendant, JAMES KELLY CHAVEZ, knowingly and unlawfully conspired and agreed with other persons, known and unknown to the Grand Jury, to possess with the intent to distribute, in violation of 21 U.S.C. § 841(a)(1), 500 grams or more of a substance containing a detectable amount of methamphetamine, a Schedule II controlled substance, in violation of 21 U.S.C. § 846.

COUNT 2

That beginning in July 2021 and continuing until on or about October 14, 2021, at Billings, within Yellowstone County, in the State and District of Montana, the defendant, JAMES KELLY CHAVEZ, knowingly and unlawfully possessed, with the intent to distribute, 500 grams or more of a substance containing a detectable amount of methamphetamine, a Schedule II controlled substance, and aided and abetted the same, in violation of 21 U.S.C. § 841(a)(1) and 18 U.S.C. § 2.

FORFEITURE ALLEGATION

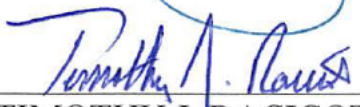
Upon conviction of either offense set forth in counts 1 and 2 of this indictment, the defendant, JAMES KELLY CHAVEZ, shall forfeit, pursuant to 21 U.S.C. § 853(a)(1) and (2) and 21 U.S.C. § 881(a)(11): (1) any property constituting and derived from any proceeds obtained, directly and indirectly, as a result of the commission of said offense; and (2) any property used and intended to be used, in any manner and part, to commit, and facilitate the commission of, said offense.

A TRUE BILL.

Foreperson signature redacted. Original document filed under seal.

FOREPERSON


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Crim. Summons _____

Warrant: X _____

Bail: _____